CITY COUNCILS .- The Board of Aldermen met last evening, at the usual hour, Mr. Hill, president, in the chair.

The Mayor's communication, transmitting the opinion of the Circuit Court in the case of the Corporation vs. Werner, was laid before

the Board; laid on the table. Bills, from the lower board, amendatory of the act for the construction of certain sewers adopted. in the Fourth Ward; amendatory to an act relative to certain sewers and drainage in the Third Ward; makin; an appropriation for a gravel footway in the Fifth Ward; reviving an act to grade K street north, from Fourth street west to North Capitol street; for the relief of Samuel Carson and John Caton-were referred.

Also, a joint resolution authorizing an application to Congress for the improvement of Virginia avenue; passed.

The Chair then laid before the board the bill to authorize the payment for certain printing with two amendments made by the lower board thereto, as fellows :

Add "And that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to contract with the American Organ (a newspaper published in the city of Washington) for the publication of the proceedings of the Board of Aldermen and Common Council, provided the same shall not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars per referred.

"And be it further enacted, That the Mayor be authorized to contract also with the same newspapers for the publication of all other matters which may from time to time be ordered to be published, including all advertisements and tax sales, provided the same shall be charged for according to their estab-

lished rates of advertising." Mr. Fitzpatrick moved its reference to the committee on finance. He thought this to be the proper course, inasmuch as the last amendment, if passed, involved a very large additional expenditure.

Mr. Evans hoped it would be put on its passage, and decided at that time; referred to the finance committee—yeas 7, nays 4.

Petitions of Bastian Guerall, John O. Dwyer, G. W. Garrett, and Henry Robinson, were duly presented and referred; the latter (which was read) being for an increase of his salary as assistant market master for the Centre Market.

Mr. Pearson reported back from the claims committee, the lower board's bill for the relief of Matilda Ann Beall; passed.

Mr. Pepper reported back from the improvements committee, an act amendatory to the act for the construction of certain sewers in the Fourth Ward. The question being on its third reading,

after a few rema:ks from Mr. Pepper, in explanation, it was passed. The chair laid before the Board the Mayor's nomination of Wm. Dixon, to be Intendant of the Asylum, vice Benj. Gettings, resigned; and

also that of Jno. P. White, to be Commissioner of the Asylum, vice Wm. Dixon, nominated as above. The board then went to balloting upon the question of confirming the nomination first

ballot on the second nominalion with the following result, viz: Yeas, 10; pays, 0. Mr Fitzpatrick reported back from the police committee, the bill prescribing the duties of the sealer of weighing and measures,

Mr. Magruder, after making a personal explanation, moved to lay it on the table. Mr. Fitzpatrick opposed this motion, explaining at some length the real necessity for the enactment of this bill.

with a substitute therefor.

Messrs. Houston, Pearson, and Pepper urged the immediate consideration of the bill. Mr. Evans wished to divide the questions involved in the bill. He was indisposed to agree to the provision requiring every butcher to place on his scales a certificate that his weights

had been duly examined every three months. Mr. Pepper argued that the weights and measures of all merchants and dealers were required to be periodically tested, and he saw no reason why the butchers should be exempted from the operation of a wholesome custom applicable to all in trade out of the market. Mr. Houston did not conceive that there was a butcher in market who would object to the bill. They really desired to have the three months' test to clear their skirts of all unjust suspicion as to the condition of their patent and spring balance scales.

Mr. Hill thought that the complaint was against the manner in which the sealer had discharged his duty. He thought that to insure its proper discharge, it would be well not to increase the salary as the bill proposes; but to leave him wholly to depend on his fees for the increase of his pay.

Mr. Fitzpatrick argued that all such scales should be tested, explaining how they become inaccurate after use. He thought it might be well to adopt the suggestion of Mr. Hill. The debate was further continued by Messrs.

Pepper and Evans. Mr. Magruder moved to lay it on the table; not agreed to-yeas 4, nays 8. The bill and substitute were again read, and debated by Messrs. Pearson, Pepper, and

Clark: Mhen Mr. Clark moved to strike out the clause of the bill requiring the certificate of tri-monthly inspection to be attached to the spring balances. Mr. C. withdrew his amendment, after Mr. Fitzpatrick opposed it, holding that nearly all the virtue in the bill was involved in this clause. Mr. Magruder moved an amendment re-

quiring the sealer to stamp the number of the scale on each scale, and have the certificate Annuals, Gift Books, Albums, Poets in all

—yeas 8, nays 4.

Mr. Pepper reported back from the improvements committee a bill to amend the act for the

construction of certain sewers in the Third Ward: passed Mr. Magruder reported back from the improvements committee a bill making an appro-

out and appropriating \$270 for cleaning alleys and put him in a cell for using profane lanand gutters in the First Ward already done; substitute adopted. Mr. Bayly reported back from the claims and costs. committee the bill for the relief of Bastian

Guerall, releasing a fine for selling liquor without license; also, the bill for the relief of G. W. Garrett; both laid on the table. Mr. Magruder reported back from the finance committee the joint resolution for the purchase

of wood for the poor, appropriating \$1,000 for that purpose. This joint resolution was debated by Mr.

per, who contended that it was improper to discriminate in this bill against free negroes and mulattees who had not complied with the corporation laws. He had no idea of making any such distinction in the city's charity, and moved to strike out that clause, which had originated in the lower board.
Mr. Magruder contended that if the amend-

ment were made, it would delay the enact- better. To-night, with the funny Corby, they ment of the bill, so that the poor of the city appear in two pieces. If it proves fair, they would lose its advantages, as the lower board will be greeted by a full house. would probably insist on it.

Mr. Pepper then withdrew his amendment; and the said bill passed. The bill for the relief of C. A. Davis, from

Mr. Pepper reported back from the improvement committee, a bill for making a gravel that the law makes no distinction to favor footway in the Fffth Ward; passed.

And then they adjourned. Common Council .- The Board was called to order by the President, and the reading of the proceedings of the last meeting dispensed

Mr. Smith presented the petition of Samuel Sumstock : referred. Mr. J. W. Davis, from the committee on im-

provements, reported a bill to erect a lamp post at the corner of Tenth street and Louisiana avenue; which was passed. Also, an act making an appropriation to sup-

and Fourth Wards; passed. Mr. Killmon, from the same committee, reported a joint resolution changing an alley in the Fifth Ward into a street, and naming it

Carroll street; passed. A communication was received from the Mayor, notifying the Board that he had signed certain bills.

the circuit court in relation to licenses; referred to the committee on police. The President appointed Messrs. Clements and Walker the committee on the part of this

Board to select a site for the Northern Liber-

ties Fire Company, whereon to erect an engine

Mr. Smith, on leave, introduced a joint resolution directing the committee representing the interest of the corporation before Congress to have lamps placed on Four-and a-half, Seventh, Tweifth, and Fourteenth streets, and along Maryland avenue from the Capitol to the Long Bridge; which was read and

Mr. Busey introduced a bill paying Charles A. Davis the salary due him while acting as Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Public Schools; which was read three times and passed.

Mr. Clements, on leave, introduced a joint resolution that from and after the 3d of January, 1855, the hour of meeting of the two boards should be three and a half o'clock, p. m.; which was lost-yeas 7, nays 8. The board then proceeded to consider the

business on the President's table. An act changing the name of an alley in the Seventh Ward into Brent street was re-

ferred. The joint resolution in relation to removing the obstructions in Sixth street east was laid on the table.

An act for the relief of F. A. Wayler was

laid over. The bill for the relief of Mary Nevitt was

An act for the relief of Joseph De La Fontaine, for selling ice cream on Sunday, was passed. An act appointing a physician to the Cen-

tral Watch House, was indefinitely postponed. An act for gravelling Sixth street east, and G street south, was passed, An act permitting W. H. Faulkner to lay a

foot pavement, was passed. An act permitting Jonathan Prout to lay pavement, was postponed. An act removing certain nuisances in the

Sixth Ward, was passed. Mr. Gill introduced a bill, gravelling I street south, between Third and 42 streets;

On motion of Mr. Duncanson, Andrew Hanson was permitted to withdraw certain papers. And then the Board adjourned to Tuesday, the 2d of January.

"DANCE, DANCE-YOUNG FOLKS, DANCE." A fine opportunity for the delightful sport of dancing is presented this evening, by the Americus Club, at their ball to be held at l'emperance Hall. As a matter of course, the belles and beaux of the Northern Liberties, and of all other portions of the city, will be there in abundance, and to the strains of fine music, the small heurs of the morning will be passed in pleasantness and joy. Success to the Americus!

CRIMINAL COURT .- Yesterday, after we went to press, the jury in the case of John O'Dwyer rendered a verdict of not guilty, without leaving the box. Ratcliffe for defence. S. F. Lucas, convicted of false pretences, was duly sentenced to four years' imprisonment, in the District Penitentiary, from and after the first of January next. This delay was to afford his wife time to reach Washingabove namel, with the following result, viz: ton for an interview with him before he shall Yeay, 10; nays, 2. They next went into a be sent down. Thus for the present ends the career of this late dashing gentleman about town.

To-day the case of the Milkinson Williams, indteted for assault and battery on John Mc-Kride, was on trial as we went to press. Ennis presecuting, and Ratcliffe for defence.

A Scene.-Last night a number of persons engaged in the Sunday riot in the Fourth Ward were being tried at the residence of Squire Donn, and a person named Rhoda Craven was explaining his evidence when a woman, whose name we did not hear, went to the fire-place and took a pair of tongs, with which she struck the witness a blow that inflicted a severe wound on his forebend, and sprinkled the floor with blood. The squire is quite popular with his Irish friends.

GRISI AND MARIO.—We have advices from New York this morning, by which we learn that Grisi and Mario are, after all, not to give concerts here this winter. They have been unable to get the National Theatre for their entertainment, and have actually coacluded an engagement to open in Boston on the 15th

THE DYING GLADIATOR.—The admiration of our citizens for this beautiful statue daily increases. It presents some new beauty every time it is seen. Persons of taste have visited it repeatedly, and acknowledge that the more they see it the greater becomes their admiration. We trust that every patron of art and admirer of genius will embrace the present opportunity, as much to remunerate, in some measure, Mr. Risk for his heavy outlay in procuring the statue, as to show their appreciation of a great work.

THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTE. - The National Era complains that the proceedings of the Board of Trustees and Directors of the Smithsonian Institute are kept secret; that reporters are not admitted to their meetings; and that the public are kept in ignorance of the degree of activity, as well as of the purposes and views of the respective members of that body. What is the matter? Have the trustees formed another secret order that they thus desire to keep their doings secret?

Those of our readers who are in quest of elegant and appropriate presents for the holidays, will find at Shillington's Book Store, Odeon Building, a magnificent assortment of to correspond to its number.

The original substitute, as amended by the adoption of this amendment, was then passed

Styles of binding, interesting Juvenile Books, Toy Books, Episcopal and Catholic Prayer Books, Bibles, Writing Desks, Porte Monnaies. Port Folios, Work Boxes, Gold Pens, and everything in the fancy stationery line.

RESPECTFUL LANGUAGE.-Last night, a colored man, named Harry Whiting, went to the guard house to get a permit to attend a party provements committee a bill making an appro-priation for cleaning alleys and gutters in the band. Harry had hardly made known his First Ward, with an amendment striking it all business before an officer laid hands on him guage and abusing an officer in the discharge of his duty. This morning, Harry paid fine

THE NATIONAL THEATRE. - We are told that Mr. Mowbray, who now has the management of the ballet company at the National, intends. during the present session, to bring out at this house, a number of novel attractions. We shall therefore expect "The Naiad Queen," "The Corsican Brothers," &c., and among the stars, Edwin Forrest, Mr. Davenport, Miss Davenport, and Miss Agnes Robert

THE ROUSSETS .- Notwithstanding the extreme inclemency of the weather, a fine audi ence was at the National Theatre last evening, to witness the charming dancing of the Rousset Sisters. They performed admirably. Car-oline, "the flower of the flock," never danced

THE MINOR LAW. - Some of our police officers are about enforcing the minor law in or der to keep boys from running with fire appathe lower board, was laid before the board and ratus, and test it on those under twenty-one and over eighteen years of age who are members of fire companies. The officers contend minors of that age. The law should be enforced.

FIRE.—The alarm of fire early last evening was caused by a light seen in the direction of District the old race course. We have since heard it was the light from the burning of the residence of Mr. Little, a gentleman well and favorably known to our citizens. We hope that the report is incorrect. There were several other alarms last evening, but all false.

GRISI AND MARIO.-It is said that negotiations are in progress for Carusi's Saloon on the ply a deficiency for certain sewers in the Third evenings of the 10th, 12th, and 15th of January, for concerts by the Grisi and Mario epera troupe. Would it not be better to secure a larger hall?

ELECTION IN THE FIRST WARD. - An election comes off to-merrow for a person to fill the seat in the Common Council, made vacant by the resignation of Chas. A. Davis, Esq. We have thus far heard of but one candidate Also, one inclosing the recent decision of fer the position and he is said to be a K. N. stock.

THE INPANT DRUMMER .- This juvenile wonder will give another concert this evening. Every one should witness his performance to have any just conception of his power. Go, then, to-night, and take all the children, too.

lations of Glenwood Cemetery. Lot holders are requested to call at the office and procure copies. THE JOHN P. PEPPER, alias ELIAS LEGG, whose arrest for stealing was noticed in a late police report of the Star, is not John P. Pep-

per, marble cutter and Alderman. WATCH RETURNS .- E. Hinks, drunk and disorderly; workhouse thirty days. His disorderly conduct consisted in chasing and trying to catch a respectable married lady, who was very much frightened. He belongs to the Marine Corps, and the result of his behaviour will cost him more than sobriety would in a

PALPITATION OF THE HEART, Nervous disease Liver Complaint, Neuralgia, Dyspepsia, Costiveness and Piles, are all relieved and cured in an incredible short space of time, by Carter's Spanish Mixture, the great tonic and pur lifer of the blood. It contains not a particle of Mercury, Opium, or any noxious drug; is perfectly harmless, and has cured more than five hundred cases of disease.

We can only refer the reader to the certificates, a few of which may be found in another column, and all of which the deficied in all around the bester. the detailed in full around the boule. It is the greatest of all Spring and Fall Medicines, and possesses an influence over are blood tonly remarkable. . \* See advertisement.

FJOE SELLINGTON receives all the new Books and News papers as that as published. He is agent for Harper's and all the other Magazines, and our readers will always find a large and good assortment of Blank Books and Stationery his Booksters, Odeon Building, cor Pa. avenue and 4½ st.

GREAT CURE OF RHEUMATISM.—The Editors o the Bichmond Republican, of December 4th, 1852, say that Carter's Spanish Mixture is no quack medicine. They had a man in their press room who was afflicted with violent mercurial rheumatism, who was continually complaining of misery in his backs, limbs and joints;—his eyes had become feverish and mattery, neck swollen, throat sore, and all the symptoms of rheumatism, combined with Scrofula. Two bottles of Carter's Spanish Mixture cured him, and in an editorial notice as above, they bear testimony to its wonderful effects, and say their only regret is, that all suffering with disease of the blood are not aware of the existence of such a medicine. They cheerfully recommend See their certificate, and notice in full around the bottle

ANOTHER PREMIUM .- Mr. WHITEHURST has been awarded another premium for his superior Daguerreotypes, exhibited at the World's Fair, New York. It will be remembered that Mr. W. received from the World's Fair, London, two medals for his unrivalled daguerreotypes of President Fillmore and Cabinet, and Pantiscopes of Niagara Falls, besides premiums at all the fairs at which he has exhibited for many are reset. This speaks volumes in force of his speaks. many years past. This speaks volumes in favor of his galle-Call and have your likenesses taken at Whitehurst's Galle ry . near Four and-s-half street, Pennsylvania avenue.

READY MADE CLOTHING FOR GENTLEMEN AND Youths' wear manufactured with taste and elegance by NOAH WALKER & CO., under Browns' Hotel. Their stock NOAH WALKER & CO., under Browns' Hotel. Their stock embrace the Palitot or Surtout Overcoat, Oversacks, shaped and neglagee; Talmas, black and blue Cloth Dress Coats, Frock Coats of all fashionable colors, Cassimer, Business Suites, rich Velvet Vests, Silks, &c., black doeskin Cassimer, figured Cassimer, and plain Cassimer Pantaloons. For the youth—Jackets, Pants, Vests, Overcoats, &c. As they are their own manufacturers they are enabled and will sell at the very lowest prices. Shirts of superior fit, Collars, Gioves, Ties, &c., of late styles always on hand.

MARRIND.

On the 24th instant, by the Rev. Mr. Aiken, S. J., Mr. BERNARD O'REILLY, of Georgetown, to Miss MARGARET J., oldest daughter of Jas. Kelly,

Esq., of this city. On the 24th instant, by Rev. Andrew G. Carothers, Mr. CHAS. EDMONDS, of Albany, to Miss SARAH ANN DOUGHERTY, of this city.
On the 23d instant, by the Rev. James H. Brown, Mr. SAMUEL JOHNSTON to Miss ELIZABETH E. YOST, both of Prince George's county, Mary-

land. On the 14th instant, by the Rev. J. W. Woodville Mr. GEORGE SCOTT, widower, aged 70 years, to Mrs. ROSA BLEDSOE, a widow of threescore years and ten-all of Orange county.

## Wests.

WANTED-TO BORROW \$2,500 ON REAL Estate security. These baving the article to invest will please address "Security," Washinston City Post Office. dec 27-2t\* COOK WANTED-WANTED A FIRST RATH business need apply. At FLIRT'S, next door to

dec 27-3t

WANTED-A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable young Woman, to do the housework of a small family, and to be treated as one of the famlly. Best of reference given. Apply at DANIEL QUINN'S, corner Thirteenth and G sts. dec 27-1t\*

NANTED IMMEDIATELY-AT THE MAN-sion House, in Alexandria, a Head Waiter, 8 Runners, and a good bread and vegetable Cook. A. G. NEWT IN.

WANTS NEGROES.—Thesubscribersar.
all times in the market buying SLAVES, pay ing the highest cash prices. Persons having Slavas for rate will please call at 242 PRATT STREET, Baltimore, Md., (Siatter's old stand.) blaves taken on boerd at 25 cents per day. B. M. & W. L. CAMPBELL. feb 2-1y

## Boarding.

BOARDING.—MRS. MARCELLAS, No. 497
Seventh street, the next square above the Patent Office, can accommodate a few boardere. Boarding at \$3 per week. dec 27-303t

ROOMS AND BOARD.—SEVERAL LARGE AND pleasant unfurnished rooms for families or single gentlemen, with board, will be let at MRS HALL'S, No. 452 Thirteenth street. nov 29-1m\*

DEAWING BOOKS, ENGLISH AND FRENCH Albums, French Portfolios, English Bibles, Prayer Books, Pencil Cases. Gold Pens, Rodgers' Penknives, bought personally from the manufac-turer; fine editions of the best American, English, and French authors in Postry and Prose, many of then finely illustrated, others in Bich London and Paris bindings, mostly imported direct from London and Paris by the undersigned, many of them just opened. FRANCK TAYLOR.

OOK OUT FOR THE CARS WHEN THE BELL RINGS .- Just received at the new Union Bookstere—The Autobiography of the incomparable Barnum; Life of the indefatigable Greeley; Ruth Hall, a continuous story by Fanny Fern, the woman writer of the 19th century, and Fern Series, complete with "Little Ferns," and a host of Books for the holidays, just opening at the new Union Bookst re, 474 Penn sylvania avenue. dec 19-tf

HOLIDAY PRESENTS. SUPERIOR GOLD WATCHES, FINE JEWELRY, SILVER AND PLATED WARD, &c.—SAW'L LEW18 respectfully calls attention
to his excellent and well select

ed assertment of goods, comprising-Superior Gold Watches, in hunting and other cases from the most celebrated manufacturers Gold vest, guard and tob Chains, of beautiful patterns

Rich and beautiful articles of Jewelry, consisting of Breastpins, Ear and Finger Rings, Bracelets,

&c., of various patterns and designs, in full rets and by the single piece. Fine Silver Spoons, Forks, Ladles, Buiter Knives, Napkin Rings, &c. Together with a large and exc lient assortment of

Goods in his line, all of which he is prepared to sell on pleasing terms. Pa. avenue, bet. 12th and 18th streets.

EATHER RETICULES at very low prices, received at LAMMOND'S, 7th st.

7 RISS KRINGLE'S DEPOT FOR TOYS is at LAMMOND'S, 7t st

dec 23-3t 12 BEAUTIFUL WORK BOXES
16 roseword and papier mache Desks 10 superb Pianos

24 Tilton's Guitars 2 fide Papier mache Side Tables 12 dozen assorted Violina In addition to Card Cases, Porte Monnaies Children's Toys, Beautiful Vases, and a host of Fancy Goods, all suitable for Presents.

JNO. F. ELLIS, Pa. avenue, between 9.h and 10th sts., No. 306. dec 20-tf BOOKS FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

VERY LARGE ASSORTMENT OF ENGLISH Bibles, Episcopal and Catholic, Prayer Books in rich and elegant binding, and children's Books, the most extensive collection ever before offered in the Also, a good assortment of Cutlery and Fancy Sta-

tionery. Just received, and for sale at great bar-E. K. LUNDY, No. 128 Bridge street, Georgetown. NEW HATS AND FURS.

JOHN T. EVANS, Jr., has received a supply of the finest and cheapest HATS, and such a splendid stock of FURS as was never before opened in Washington.
His establishment is already known not only as the most fashionable, but as decidedly the cheapest in the country. All who like to inspect exquisite goods are invied to view his stock before making their Christmas purchase.

He has a newly-invented machine for measuring the size and taking the form of heads, which is the greatest curiosity of the day, in its way; as also just the thing for which it is intended.

Be sure to call to see JOHN T. EVANS'S new dec 19—1w

H streets. Once nours until a. in., none is in the m.; and 7 to 8 p. m.

References: Wm. A. Gardner, M. D., Dean of the Homosopathic College Pa., and the profession generally.

Por Sais and Rent.

THERSONS DESIRING COMPORTABLE ROOMS either with or without board, can obtain them at Mrs. MANNING'S, on 13th street, between E and F, No. 453. The location is central, and one of the most pleasant in the city. GLERWOOD CEMETERY.-We have received a neatly printed copy of the rules and regu-

OR SALE OR RENT-THE LEASE, GOODwill and Pixtures of a store suitable for any kind of business. For particulars enquire at No 384 E street, near Teath street west.

dre 23 - 3t\* FOR RENT OR SALE:-THE MODERN Four-story Brick House on Thirteenth street near E, east side. The house is in good repair, dry sellars, and to a good te ant the rent will be low.

Possession given on the 1st November Apply to oot 30—tf JAS. C. McGUIRE, Auc'r. ROOMS AND BOARD.—SEVERAL PLEASANT Rooms with board, and a neatly furnished parlor and bed room may be had at 540 L street,

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Eligible Building Lots, on graded 60 feet wide streets, fronting 24 feet and running back 130 feet, are new offered at the very low price of \$75, payable in easy installments of \$3 a month, until the whole is paid, when a deed in fee simple will be executed to each lot holder; a deduction of 10 per cent. will be allowed to persons paying cash. The location is one of acknowledged healthfulness and beauty, with an abundant supply of excellent

water. Persons desireds of proceining a house and lot upon very favorable conditions of payment, should make immediate application, as a similar opportunity will never again be presented.

N. B—A large quantity of chesnut post and oak wood for sale cheap.

JOHN FOX, Secretary,

Office, Seventh st, above Odd Fellows' Hall.

wa'er. Persons desirous of precuring a house and

dec 9-1m FOR RENT-Possession given immediately—the late office of the Evening Star, on D st., within fifty yards of its junction with Tweifth street and Pa. avenue. The building is of two stories. The lower story being divided into three convenient rooms, and the upper being a large single room. It will afford two convenient small shops, fronting on D street, with ample working room in the rear. Also a convenient painter's or carpenter's or other mechanics' work shop above. Apply at Star office. oct 25-tf

STORAGE.—Those having Furniture, Dry Goods, Groceries, &c., to be stored, will find ample accommodations in the large, airy, flag-stone-paved, and dry Basements under the Star Office, corner Pa. avenue and Eleventh st. Apply at the Star office. VERY DESIRABLE STORE TO LET -THE

pied by Mr. Dyer as an auction and commission store, is for rent low to a good tenant. Also, the House above the store Apply to G. A. RANDALL, Corner Tweifth and D streets.

A VERY DESIRABLE STORE TO LET -THE store on the east side of Bleventh street, one

door north of Pennsylvania avenue, lately occu-

CPECTACLES AND BYE GLASSES, in Gold, Silver, Steel, and shell f am s, with convex, concave, Periscopic, and Parabola Giasses, of best olte. Also, Goggles and Eye Protectors, etc., and new Giasses put in to order. Persons in want of Glasses may be sure to get those that benefit the eye, at

H. SEMKEN, Jeweler, Ps. avenue, between 0th and 10th sts. dec 3-dtJan1 NEW GOODS FOR HOLIDAYS. WITH pleasure we inform our friends that we have just returned from the North with an

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TYOLIDAY PRESENTS in great abund ance and cheap at the New Bookstore, 474 dec 19 - tf

NNUALS, HOLIDAY PRESENTS, &c. Children's Books in great abundance. Abbort's Rollo and Lucy Books, &c. Cheap for cash at the New Bookstore, 474 Pa. avenue.

CERASTOPOL NOT TAKEN, BUT CORDS of new and valuable Beoks nightly taken from the new Book Arction Store, 474 Pennsylvania avenue. d-c 19-tf FITZGERALD'3 Store.

NOTICE. IME IS MONEY .- I have just received a great ssortment of Cleeks, Watch-s, and Jewelry. Clocks from \$1 50 to \$15; Gold Watches from \$25 to \$175; Silver Watches from \$8 to \$10; all of which will be warranted to give Encircular Haring ed to give Easistection. Having an experienced hand to put all our clocks in order before selling them, those in want of a good Clock will find it to their advantage to buy from us. Also, on hand Clock Trimmings of every descrip-tion, such as Balls, Keys, Cords, Hands, Weights,

Our assortment of Gold Jewelry is large, and wil be sold on better terms than similar goods can be bought in Washington Also, Silver Butter and Fruit Knives, Cake Bas kets, Albata Ware and many other goods for Christmas presents.

At the Cleck, Watch and Jewelry Store of J. ROBINSON. 349 opposite Browns' Hotel.

WM. HAUNSCHILD. PAPER HANGER & UPHOLSTERER. MERICAN and French Paper Hangings and A Upholster Goods, Pennsylvania avenue, betw. Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets, Washington,

Wm. Haunschild begs leave to inform his friends and the public that he has on hand a large stock of French Gilt and American Transparents. Also, Hair, Moss, Cetton and Shuck Mattresses, which he will dispose of at the lowest prices.

## NOTICE TO DELINQUENT TAX-PAYERS

Collector's Office, December 5, 1854. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the list of delinquent property is in c urse of preparation and will be completed and published on or about the 1s: January, 1855. All persons interested are earnestly requested to come forward and (by paying) relieve the undersigned from the unpleasant du y of enforcing the collection, and th. mselves from the operous additional expense attending an advertisement. R. J. ROCHE, Collector. dec 6-dtlstJan

PURE SILVERWARE.

HAV a just opened a magnificent assertment of STERLING SILVERWARE, embracing: Complete Coffee and Tes Sets, Fit hers, Goblets, Cups, Spoons, Forks, &c. Also, a lot of Fancy Silverware, new styles, such as cake, fish and butter Knives; Oyster and Soup Ladles; Sugar and Cream Spoons; Sugar Tongs; Falt

Stands; Napkin Rings, &c. My silver is warranted—Sterling and Coin.
II. SEMKEN, Jeweller, Pa. ave, betw. 9th and 10th sts dec 8-dtJan1

TYRANS-ALLEGHANY BANK AND SELDEN Withers & Co.'s Notes purchased at the highest Uncerrent Money, Land Warrants, and Virginia Drafts on all the principal cities sold to suit pur

Persons at a distanc? sending me Trans-Alleghany notes or Land Wassents, may rely upon receiving the best rates, and remittances made by draft on any city in the Union. HAMILTON G. FANT, Banker, No 432 Penna avenue.

CAKES FOR CHRISTMAS.

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Ohio \$9, and City Mills at \$8 624. Wheat-

small sales at yesterday's mates. Corn exhibit-

ed a declining tendency, with sales of yellow

and white at 88 a 90c. The foreign news has

had but little influence on the grain market. New York Markets.

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